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In re U.S. Patent of:)
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For: EXPANDABLE INTERBODY SPINAL)
FUSION IMPLANT WITH EXPANSION)
CONSTRAINING MEMBER AND)
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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 254 and 255 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.322 and 1.323, this is a request for the issuance of a Certificate of Correction in the above-identified patent.

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The mistakes identified in the appended Form to claims 8, 22, and 24 are of a clerical or typographical nature, or of minor character, and resulted from an error made in good faith by Applicant.

The remaining mistakes identified in the appended Form occurred through the fault of the Patent Office, as clearly disclosed by the records of the application which matured into this patent, and as evidenced in the attached copy of page 8 of the January 8, 2007 Amendment, showing the correct language of claim 43.

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Issuance of the Certificate of Correction containing the correction is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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an expandable spinal implant having upper and lower portions adapted to move apart from one another to contact adjacent upper and lower vertebral bodies, respectively, said implant having an end having an opening, each of said upper and lower portions having at least one protrusion, said implant having a plurality of bone screw holes; and

an implant end cap having a head configured to cooperatively engage said end of said implant to at least in part cover said opening, said head having a top surface and a bottom surface opposite said top surface, said bottom surface having a recess adapted to cooperatively receive said protrusions of said upper and lower portions of said implant to prevent said implant from expanding beyond a predetermined height by limiting movement of said upper and lower portions relative to one another, said bottom surface of said head being configured to cover at least a portion of one of said bone screw holes when said cap is engaged to said implant.

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